Sl. No.	States/UTs	National Highways	State Highways	Other Roads	All Roads
29.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0	15	15
30.	Chandigarh	22	1	126	149
31.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	54	54
32.	Daman & Diu	0	0	24	24
33.	Delhi	276	304	1327	1907
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0
35.	Pondicherry	98	0	82	180
	TOTAL (P)	34723	24926	32969	92618

(P): Provisional

Manufacture of semi-conductors

*170. SHRI CHITTABRATA MUJUMDAR:
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are going to announce a new policy to start the manufacture of semi-conductors and other high technology I.T. products;

(b) if so, the salient features of this policy; and

(c) the time-frame for announcement of this policy?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN): (a) to (c) In the Finance Minister's Budget speech, it was stated that a policy would be announced with respect to the manufacture of Semi-conductor and other high technology Information Technology products, including Flat Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)/Organic Light Emitting Display (OLED)/Plasma Panel Displays and Storage Devices, to make India a preferred destination. A final view has yet to be taken regarding the package of incentives. The policy would be finalised and announced shortly.

Indian labourers in Malaysia

†*171. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 37 labourers of West Bengal have been held as bonded labourers in Malaysia;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that in the lure of employment, thousands of people are illegally sent abroad by the travel agents;

(c) if so, whether Government would take any steps in order to stop such incidents and bring back the labourers illegally sent abroad; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) As per the information received from the High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, there were a total of 68 Indian workers (37 from West Bengal and 31 from Tamil Nadu) working with a corporate firm in Malaysia, M/s Usra Tampi (M) Sdn. Bhd. Malaysia for over a year. All of them stopped working in April, 2006 due to salary dispute and were staying in the Company's hostel.

With the help of the High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur, 33 workers were repatriated to India on 19.07.2006; 4 on 20.07.2006; and 1 on 24.07.2006. The remaining 30 workers are scheduled to reach India on 3.08.2006.

(b) to (d) Sporadic complaints are received about illegal deployment of Indian workers by unregistered recruiting agents. On receipt of such information, the concerned Protectors of Emigrants (POEs) are directed to file FIRs against such illegal agents for violation of Section 10 of the Emigration Act, 1983. Such illegal agents are liable to be punished under Section 24 of the Act with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years and with fine which may extend to two thousand rupees Foreign employers involved in such illegal deployments are blacklisted. As and when information is received about such illegal deployment of workers, the Indian Missions arrange for the repatriation of the workers to India.

India's ambitious space programme

*172. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether failure of GSLV-F02 in July, 2006 was a great setback to India's ambitious space programme;

(b) if so, whether this disaster has affected the scientific community and can delay the country's progress in this crucial area;

(c) whether out of 20 scheduled launches between 1979 and 2005, there were only four failures;